

**UNAPPROVED MINUTES
CITY OF MILPITAS
PARKS, RECREATION AND CULTURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION**

- Minutes:** Regular Meeting of the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Resources Commission
Date of Meeting: May 2, 2005
Place of Meeting: Milpitas City Hall Committee Room, 455 E. Calaveras Blvd.
- I. Call to Order** Chairperson Munzel called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM
- II. Flag Salute** The Chair led the Commission in the Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Roll** Commissioners Present: Gray, Krommenhock, Ku, McGuire, Munzel, Serena, and Tuason

Council Liaison Present: Vice Mayor Gomez

City Staff Present: Bonnie Greiner, Recreation Services Manager; Mark Rogge, Capital Improvement Manager; Liz Racca-Johnson, Assistant Civil Engineer; Jaime Rodriguez, Principal Transportation Manager; Lisa Ciardella, Recording Secretary; Salia Lopa, Recording Secretary
- IV. Alternates** Alternates Gray and Serena were seated.
- V. Agenda** MOTION to approve the agenda for May 2, 2005 as submitted.
M/S: Krommenhock, McGuire
Ayes: (7) Gray, Krommenhock, Ku, McGuire, Munzel, Serena, and Tuason
- VI. Minutes** MOTION to approve the minutes from the April 4, 2005, meeting as submitted.
M/S: McGuire, Tuason
All Ayes
- VII. Citizen's Forum** Don Peoples, residing on Spring Creek Lane in Milpitas, invited the commission to the May 5, 2005 meeting of the Downtown Association at 7:00 P.M.
- VIII. Announcements/Correspondence**

Bonnie Greiner, Recreation Services Manager, made the following announcements:
- May is National Older Americans Month. The Senior Center will be hosting a variety of special events and trips.
 - Registration for the Recreation Summer classes will begin this Saturday May 7, 2005 at 8:00 A.M. at the Community Center.
 - A Taste of Milpitas will be held on Saturday May 21, 2005 from 11:00 A.M. – 6:00 P.M. on McCarthy Blvd., behind Borders Books and Music. Activities will include a children's area, arts and crafts, Teen Talent Show, food demonstrations, music entertainment and of course food and drinks.
 - The Memorial Day Ceremony will be held on Monday May 30, 2005 at 9:00 A.M. at Veterans Memorial Park in the Civic Center Plaza.
 - Rainbow Theatre is presenting FAME. Two performances remain, Friday May 6, at 7:30 P.M. and Saturday May 7, at 3:00 P.M.

- There will be a meeting regarding the Milpitas Sports Center Circulation Improvements in the Sports Center Conference Room on Monday, May 9, 2005 at 6:30 P.M.

IX. Old Business

1. Update on the Library Project (Mark Rogge, Capital Improvement Manager)

Mark Rogge, Capital Improvement Manager, provided the commission an update on the library project. The library project is in the schematic design. All additions made to the building will respect and honor the historical building. Additions will be set back to provide prominent views of the historical building and will gently embrace the building at connections.

Staff is currently looking for historical photographs to recreate some of the historical items that have been removed. The historical courtyard will remain in the center and the main entrance to the library will be in the new building. The entrance to the historical building will remain as a ceremonial entrance. The classrooms in the historical building will be restored to how they used to look and will house the learning center, group study area, computer center, homework center, conference room and local history room.

The new building will house the children's area, which will include an easy reader, and picture room as well as seating and computers. Upstairs from the children's area will be the scholastic area, which will include a homework center, young adult area and reference collection.

All windows in the historical building, which have been covered with plywood, will be restored to their full height. Views of the auditorium will be preserved through the multi-purpose room. The glass will be removed to enter the children's area and the glass will be kept to repair any old damaged glass.

Commissioner Ku asked Mr. Rogge if the heat would be a problem in the south end of the building since most of it is glass. Mr. Rogge responded that the heat will be used as part of the solar system.

Recommendation: Note receipt, file.

X. New Business

1. Main Street Development at Maple Hall aka Pashote or Cracolice Building (Don Peoples)

Don Peoples, who is a business owner on Main St., a structural engineer and Economic Development Commissioner with the City of Milpitas gave a presentation about Maple Hall, aka Pashote or Cracolice Building. The Pashote Building is the only original building that remains on Main St., and it currently houses An-Jans. The building has been in continuous operation and it is still family owned. The roof has been maintained, and the structure is believed to be OK. There is also a farm house in the back. The lot is two parcels totaling about an acre.

The possibilities are that it can remain the same and someone can buy it, it can be bought, demolished, and redeveloped, or lastly, it can be under community ownership and restore it to how it was. Mr. Peoples would like support to form

a public/private partnership to purchase, restore, and operate the Pashote Building and family residence.

Chairperson Munzel asked Mr. Peoples what the role of the City would be in this. Mr. Peoples responded that since this would be a public/private project, it would not fall on the taxpayers. Developers have to designate park space, there are also grants and several other funding streams. Chairperson Munzel also asked if Olinger's Plaza could be incorporated. Mr. Peoples said he would like it to be, but without it, the area would still be about an acre.

Chairperson Munzel asked how much time there is for the city to act on this. Mr. Peoples explained that since the city is building the new library and medical clinic on Main St., the whole block will be consolidated in about a year. The Pashote ranch house is for sale now.

MOTION to recommend to City Council that staff study the acquisition of these parcels to develop a park.

M/S: McGuire/Serena

2. Landscape Improvements at Hetch-Hetchy, between Coelho St. and Washington Drive (Liz Racca-Johnson, Assistant Civil Engineer)

Landscape improvements will be made to the Hetch-Hetchy right of way area between Coelho St. and Washington Dr. Currently the area is dirt and gravel. The new landscape will include a typical rumble strip and signage, while some of the shrubs will be kept, and trimmed down. There will also be a new asphalt pathway. Around the perimeter, there will be a "no mow" fescue planted.

The next step is to complete the design details and to then forward the plans to City Council for approval and authorization to advertise the project for bid.

Recommendation: Receive staff report.

3. Milpitas Sports Center Circulation Improvement Plans Update

The Milpitas Sports Center circulation improvement plans have been presented to the PRCRC, Milpitas Unified School District and the City Council. The environmental and traffic reviews are currently under review.

There will be a 20 foot aisle way to the west side of the parking lot for special events and emergency vehicles, with the ability to open or close it as needed. There will also be an improved west entrance with a left turn entrance and a right turn only upon exiting.

The circulation needs are safer pedestrian access, protected walks and improved lighting. The parking spaces will be expanded. There are currently 80 spaces in the east parking lot, and that will be expanded to 230 spaces. There are currently 368 spaces in the west parking lot, and that will be expanded to 397 spaces.

Recommendation: Note receipt, file.

4. Schedule June 2006 Park Tour and the possible cancellation of July 3, 2006, Parks Recreation and Cultural Resources Commission Meeting (Bonnie Greiner, Recreation Services Manager)

To provide accurate dates and information for the 2006 City Calendar, the Commission decided that they will tentatively schedule their annual Park Tour for June 10, 2006 and will also cancel the July 2006 meeting.

MOTION to tentatively schedule the annual Park Tour for June 10, 2006 and cancel the July 2006 meeting.

M/S: McGuire, Tuason

All Ayes

XII. Staff Reports

XIII. Liaison Reports

1. City Council

None.

2. Community Advisory Commission (CAC)

None.

3. Senior Advisory Commission (SAC)

None.

4. Planning Commission

Commissioner Tuason reported that the Planning Commission had a discussion regarding the high density homes to be located by the Town Center.

5. Youth Advisory Commission (YAC)

Chairperson Munzel reported that the YAC will be meeting on Thursday April 14, 2005.

6. Milpitas Historical Society

Commissioner McGuire reported that the Historical Society would like to buy the City's first firehouse located on Main Street and restore it to the way it was and possibly house the Chamber of Commerce there.

7. Arts Commission

Commissioner McGuire reported that the Camera Club held their reception for the opening of their display in the Phantom Art Gallery on March 28, 2005. On April 7, 2005, the Arts Commission will hold a meeting to discuss public art. The Commission had also interviewed three applicants who were interested in displaying their art in the Phantom Art Gallery.

8. Alviso Adobe Sub-committee (Commissioner McGuire, Munzel)

None.

XIV. Future Agenda Items

June

Parks Tour

July

Meeting was cancelled per Commission on 9/13/04

August

Possible Channel 15 Coverage - Community Outreach for Commission
No Smoking In Parks Discussion

XV. Adjournment

There being no further business, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 9:14 PM to the next scheduled meeting on May 2, 2005, at the Milpitas City Hall Committee Room.